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(54) Title: ESTERS OF 3-HYDROXY-PIPERIDINEMETHANOL DERIVATIVES**(57) Abstract**

The present invention of compounds of formula (I), a stereochemically isomeric form thereof, an N-oxide form thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof, R^1 is C_{1-6} alkyloxy, C_{2-6} alkenyloxy or C_{2-6} alkynyloxy; R^2 is hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyloxy, or when taken together R^1 and R^2 may form a bivalent radical of formula wherein in said bivalent radicals one or two hydrogen atoms may be substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl; R^3 is hydrogen or halo; R^4 is hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl; L is C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkanone, C_{2-6} alkenyl optionally substituted with aryl, or L is a radical of formula $-Alk-R^5$, $-Alk-X-R^6$, $-Alk-Y-C(=O)-R^8$, or $-Alk-Y-C(=O)-NR^{10}R^{11}$ wherein each Alk is C_{1-12} alkanediyl; and R^5 is hydrogen, cyano, C_{1-6} alkylsulfonamido, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkanone, aryl, di(aryl)methyl or a heterocyclic ringsystem; R^6 is hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, aryl, aryl C_{1-6} alkyl, di(aryl)methyl, C_{1-6} alkyloxy or hydroxy; Y is NR^9 or a direct bond; said R^9 being hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl or aryl; R^{10} and R^{11} each independently are hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, aryl or aryl C_{1-6} alkyl, or R^{10} and R^{11} combined with the nitrogen atom bearing R^{10} and R^{11} may form a pyrrolidiny or piperidiny ring both being optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl, amino or mono or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, or said R^{10} and R^{11} combined with the nitrogen bearing R^{10} and R^{11} may form a piperaziny or 4-morpholinyl radical both being optionally substituted with C_{1-6} alkyl. Processes for preparing said products, formulations comprising said products and their use as a medicine are disclosed, in particular for treating conditions which are related to impairment of gastric emptying.

